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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

A competitive marketplace is a healthy marketplace. We need independents to keep things fair.

I choose a competitive provider, because the service is so much more personal than the big providers I tried in the past.

Please keep the internet open to independent providers like LMI.Net.

Thank you,

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